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In re Application of  
Seed and Haas  
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Proteins

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: UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)  
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This is in response to the "Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47," filed January 16, 1997.

The petition is granted.

This application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status and the Office of Initial Patent Examination is authorized to

- (1) accept this application under Rule 1.47(b);
- (2) process the application with the inventors being Seed and Haas, using the Declaration filed on January 16, 1997; and
- (3) mail a filing receipt with a filing date of September 20, 1996.

As provided in Rule 1.47(a), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to non-signing inventor at the address given in the Declaration. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

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